



DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

June 12, 2000

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Attn:

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Incoming

Re:

Notice to Conduct Reclamation Activities at the Maple Gulch Portals, PacifiCorp, Des-Bee-Dove Mines, ACT/015/017, Emery County, Utah

PacifiCorp, by and through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Energy West Mining Company ("Energy West") as mine operator, hereby submits a notice of intent to reclaim the portal breakouts in Maple Gulch. Reclamation will begin during the week of July 10, 2000 and progress until the work is completed. Energy West estimates that the project will take approximately five days to complete.

The Des-Bee-Dove Maple Gulch portals were developed as intake portals in the Deseret and Beehive mines in January 1980 and February 1980, respectively (refer to location and plan view drawing in Attachment #1). Each portal breakout consists of a single entry approximately eight (8) feet. x sixteen (16) feet. The portals were used for intake purposes until the Beehive Mine fire in December 1983. At that time they were temporarily sealed. The portals were reopened in 1984 for exploration purposes after the mine fire. The portals were subsequently permanently sealed (MSHA approved) in 1986.

Coordination with a surface exploration project will allow PacifiCorp to utilize specialized equipment to enhance the breakout areas in Maple Gulch. PacifiCorp will use a helicopter to transport equipment and material to the site from a staging area located on PacifiCorp's Huntington Power Plant property. The planning process involves coordination with multiple agencies including; United States Forest Service (USFS), Bureau of Land Management (BLM), State of Utah Department Wildlife Resources (DWR), as well as input from the Division. The total disturbance of these portals is approximately 0.04 acres.

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Final reclamation plans, including backfill, grading, and revegetation for all lands disturbed by coal mine and reclamation activities are included in the approved MRP. Reclamation details of the remote portals was not specifically addressed in the approved plan but were included in the reclamation cost summary. Both the Deseret and Beehive portals are located in a remote and inaccessible location from the surface. As stated above, the portals were permanently sealed from inside the mine in 1986. The permit status for the remote portals is listed below:

Permit Status:

Deseret Mine: The Main North portal is within Federal Coal Lease U-02664 and is included within the current permit area.

Beehive Mine: The 10th East portal is outside the permit area, but within the Bureau of Land Management right-of-way UTU-45337. Right-of-way UTU-45337 specifies that "the ground surface will be reclaimed to Forest Service requirements" (see Attachment 2). An amendment was submitted on April 11, 2000 revising the permit area to include the Beehive portal.

A meeting was held on March 10, 2000 with the surface management agency - USFS (Crockett Dumas, Jeff DeFreest) and subsurface agency - BLM (Steve Falk, Mike Kaminski, Joan Hubert) to discuss the project goals and timing. This meeting enabled the responsible managing agencies to review maps of the area in which the portals are located and discuss reclamation methods. Methods planned by Energy West are similar to the successful reclamation project completed in 1999 at the Cottonwood Mine - Miller Canyon breakouts. Both parties concurred in principle with the proposed reclamation plan. The main goal of the project was to enhance the area and satisfy the land owner (USFS). One concern expressed by the BLM was that right-of-way UTU-45337 (Beehive emergency escapeway) expires on May 28, 2000. Reality specialist, Joan Hubert recommended that PacifiCorp renew the right-of-way for a period of one year. PacifiCorp applied for and received a one year renewal effective May 25, 2000.

The following gives an overview of the reclamation that will be conducted at these portal sites according to the Utah Coal Regulations R645-100 through R645-301-800.

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The following items listed reflect the changes and revisions to the Des-Bee-Dove MRP:

Volume 2, Part 4:

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Volume 2, Part 4: Appendices:

Insert new appendix: Appendix IX

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Attached are four copies of the amendment with the required C1/C2 forms. One copy has been sent to the Price Field Office.

Based on extensive research by Energy West, all parameters necessary to this reclamation project have been covered and are included in the preceding text. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this notice to conduct reclamation operations, please contact myself at 435-687-4720 or Dennis Oakley at 435-687-4825.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Semborski

Geology/Permitting Supervisor

Enclosures

Cc: Jeff DeFreest – USFS - Price District
Steve Falk/Joan Hubert - BLM - Price Field Office
Chris Colt - DWR – Price District
Scott Child – IMC w/o Attachments
Carl Pollastro – EWMC w/o Attachments

File

| APPLICATION FOR PERMIT PROCESSING | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Title of Proposal: Notice to Conduct Reclamation Activities at the Maple Gulch Portals Mine: Des-Bee-Dove Mines | | | | | | | | | | |
| PacifiCorp, Des-Bee-Dove Mine, ACT/015/017, Emery County, Utah. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Permittee: PacifiCorp | | | | | | | | | | |
| Description, include reason for application and timing required to implement: Applicant plans to conduct final reclamation activities at the Maple Gulch portals. Reclamation is scheduled for mid July 2000. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Instructions: If you answer yes to any of the first 8 questions (gray), this may be a Significant Revision and require Public Notice. Any questions, please call a Permit Supervisor. | | | | | | | | | | |
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Form DOGM - C2 (Last Revised February 1, 2000)

Application for Permit Processing Detailed Schedule of Changes to the MRP

Title of Application: Notice to Conduct Reclamation Activities at the Maple Gulch Portals PacifiCorp, Des-Bee-Dove Mine, ACT/015/017, Emery County, Utah.

Permit Number: ACT/015/017

Mine: Des-Bee-Dove Mine

Permittee: PacifiCorp

Provide a detailed listing of all changes to the mining and reclamation plan which will be required as a result of this proposed permit application. Individually list all maps and drawings which are to be added, replaced, or removed from the plan. Include changes of the table of contents, section of the plan, pages, or other information as needed to specifically locate, identify and revise the existing mining and reclamation plan. Include page, section and drawing numbers as part of the description.

| | | | DESCRIPTION OF MAP, TEXT, OR MATERIALS TO BE CHANGED |
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| □ ADD | ✓ REPLACE | □ REMOVE | Volume 2, Part 4, Page 4-1. |
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Any other specific or special instructions required for insertion of this proposal into the Mining and Reclamation Plan?